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SUBJ: TRANSKEI COMMISSIONER GENERAL TO BE REPLACED

1. HANS ABRAHAM, COMMISSIONER GENERAL OF TRANSKEI AND CISKEI FOR LAST 14 YEARS, WILL RELINQUISH POST MAY 31 TO ASSUME OTHER UNSPECIFIED DUTIES ACCORDING TO ANNOUNCEMENT BY MINISTER BANTU ADMINISTRATION AND DEVELOPMENT M.C. BOTHA FEB. 14. HE WILL BE REPLACED BY SENATOR D.H. POTGIETER, CURRENTLY DEPUTY PRESIDENT OF SENATE.

2. COMMENT: ABRAHAM'S PASSING FROM SCENE WILL OCCASION NO TEARS IN UMTATA, WHERE HIS RAMBUNCTIOUS WAYS AND SHARP TONGUE HAVE BEEN CONSTANT THORN IN SIDES OF BOTH AFRICAN LEADERS AND WHITE CIVIL SERVANTS WHO RUN TRANSKEI GOVT. SERVICES. DESPITE CHIEF MATANZIMA'S PERFUNCTORY WORDS OF REGRET OVER SABC, BOTH HE AND MEMBERS OF HIS RULING TRANSKEI NATIONAL INDEPENDENCE PARTY HAVE FREQUENTLY DEMANDED DISMISSAL OF ABRAHAM AND WILL BE DELIGHTED AT HIS REMOVAL. SAG'S ACTION ONE MORE STRAW IN WIND PRESAGING NEW AND IMPORTANT
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DEVELOPMENTS IN TRANSKEI POLITICAL SCENE.

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